



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 118

Traffic Stops Statistics Study Act of 1998

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on March 4, 1998.

CBO estimates that enacting this legislation would have no significant impact on the federal budget. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts, so pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 118 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995.

H.R. 118 would require the Attorney General to conduct a study of stops for routine traffic violations by law enforcement officers. Under the bill's provisions, the Attorney General would collect and analyze data from a sample of law enforcement agencies and submit a report to the Congress within two years of the bill's enactment. Based on information from the Department of Justice, we estimate that implementing this legislation would cost less than \$500,000 annually, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts.

H.R. 118 would only have an impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments if those governments chose to provide information to the Attorney General in connection with this study. In any event, the costs of providing this information are not likely to be significant.

The CBO staff contacts for this estimate are Mark Grabowicz (for federal costs), and Leo Lex (for the state and local impact). This estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.